IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Dale Burns

Serial No.:   09/182,033

Filed: 10/29/98

For: **ELECTRONIC COUPON PROCESSING SYSTEM**

Art Unit: 2765

Examiner: Kazimi, H.

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Amendment Under 37 CFR 1.111

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Box Non-Fee Amendment
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Applicant gratefully acknowledges the Examiners' courtesy in granting an interview with

Applicants representative on January 24, 2000.

In response to the Office action mailed December 17, 1999, it is respectfully requested

that the following amendment be entered:

<u>In the Claims:</u>

Please amend claims 1-2, 4-9, 11-14, 18-19, 21-24 and 29 as follows:

Claim 1. (Twice amended)   An electronic coupon processing system comprising:

a coupon data base containing unutilized coupon information associated to <u>each of</u> a

<u>plurality of consumers</u> [consumer];

a system for recording <u>specific consumer purchase</u> information at a store;

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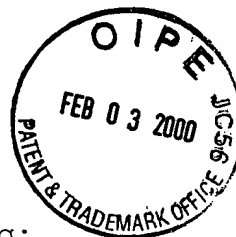
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Dear Sir:

   Enclosed please find the following:

   1.   Response to the Office action of December 17, 1999; and

   2.   Certificate of Express mailing.

   The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 18-1579. The Commissioner is also authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 18-1579 for any future fees connected in any way to this application. Two copies of this letter are enclosed.

                    Respectfully submitted,

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